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2/2/03IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION OF:)
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SERIAL NO. 09/643,550)
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FILED: AUGUST 22, 2000)
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FOR: SOLID POLYMER FUELCELL)
WITH IMPROVED VOLTAGE)
REVERSAL TOLERANCE)

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

(SUBMISSION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION)

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit these Preliminary Remarks as the submission required with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination. Applicants submit that the Advisory Action of November 21, 2002, as well as the previous Office Actions, failed to establish that the rejected claims are anticipated or obvious. Furthermore, the Advisory Action failed to address